

Important Information

- The City of Newton has offered summer day camp programs since 1982 when the first four-week pilot program was held at the Albemarle Playground/Horace Mann School. The popularity of this initial program led to the formation of several additional summer camps and clinics.
- The Counselor in Training Program started in 2003 and continues to train future counselors today.
- In 2012, the Counselor in Training Program will offer two sessions for first year CIT's and two sessions for returning CIT's. All sessions will be run between July 2 and August 17, 2012. CIT's may register for more than one session if space allows.
- All enrolled CIT's will receive two T-shirts, a performance evaluation, and a certificate of achievement.
- CIT's should come to camp dressed in comfortable, appropriate clothing including sneakers and socks. CIT's should bring a bathing suit, towel, water bottle, snack, and lunch from home each day.
- **MASTER CARD or VISA accepted.**
- **For information about scholarships, please call (617) 796-1500**



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Counselor In Training Program at



2012

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Location and Facilities:

The Counselor in Training Program at Albemarle Acres will be held at the Horace Mann School and Albemarle Playground in Newtonville. Campers and CIT's will swim at the Gath Pool.

Who can be a CIT?

CIT's are boys and girls who are 13 to 16 years old and will be entering 8th, 9th, or 10th grade in the fall. CIT's feel they are too old to be a camper but not yet old enough or experienced enough to become a counselor. This is an apprenticeship program where participants learn by doing. CIT's work with campers that are 5 – 10 years old and staff at the Albemarle Acres Summer Program.

What does a CIT do?

First Year CIT's will participate in a two week training session. The first week of each session will include instruction, observation, and activities and will focus on developing the skills



necessary to become a great camp counselor. CIT's will work with camper groups during the second week of the program to further develop their skills. First Year CIT's may register for an additional week following their session to gain more experience. CIT's will continue to work with a camper group during the additional week.

Returning CIT's will work directly with the camper groups during all three weeks of their session. Meetings and training sessions with the CIT Director will help Returning CIT's to further develop their camp counselor skills.

Advantages of Being a CIT?

- Gain experience and have fun working with children
- Gain leadership & activity planning skills
- Gain valuable work experience
- Personal development
- Explore future career possibilities
- Opportunity for future employment at camp as a paid counselor

Dates:

The Counselor in Training Program will run from July 2 – August 17, 2012. Registration begins on January 29, 2012 for Newton residents and March 1, 2012 for non residents, and continues until the program fills. CIT's may sign up for more than 1 session if space allows.

First Year CIT's

Session 1:	July 9 – July 20
Session 1 Add A Week:	July 23 – July 27
Session 2:	July 30 – August 10
Session 2 Add A Week:	August 13– August 17

Returning CIT's

Session 1:	July 2 – July 20
Session 1 Add A Week:	July 23 – July 27
Session 2:	July 23 – August 10
Session 2 Add A Week:	August 13– August 17

Cost of the Program:

Residents \$250.00 per session
Non Residents \$275.00 per session
Add A Week \$100.00

A \$60.00 non refundable deposit per session must be submitted with the registration. Final payments are due May 15, 2012. A \$25.00 late fee will be assessed for late registrations and payments.

Field Trips & Special Events:

CIT's will participate in field trips or special events while at camp to gain first hand experience in planning these events, as well as the policies and procedures for events.



Staff:

The strength of the program lies in our qualified, enthusiastic, caring and responsible camp staff. Well-motivated, highly trained staff provide the skills and energy needed to ensure the success and enjoyment of each person at camp. Many former campers return year after year to become CIT's and Counselors. All staff are certified in First Aid and CPR. The staff and the program meet the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Camping standards and the Newton Health Department licenses the program.

